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DULL DAY IN CONGRESS

DISTRICT MEASURES ON THE CALENDAR OF THE SENATE.

Enigmas in the House--The World's Fair Bill--Contested Election Cases--Mr. Hearst's Speech--Notes and Gossip from the Capitol.

The Senate to-day considered bills on the calendar, the first being the one to erect a public building at San Diego, Cal.

The first District bill on the calendar is the one to incorporate the King Theological Hall, for the purpose of fitting students to become ministers in the Protestant Episcopal Church in the United States.

Other District bills on the Senate calendar are: To amend the charter of the Brightwood Railway Company; to appoint a sanitary engineer; to regulate liquor and wine dealers; giving the Commissioners power to lay water-mains, etc., when they deem it necessary. It is not likely any of them will be acted on to-day.

In the House.

The House did little or nothing before 2 o'clock, when the resolutions in honor of the late Representative Edward J. Gay of Louisiana were called up.

The World's Fair bill will be taken up in the House next Tuesday and a vote will be had at 4 o'clock p. m. on that day.

Senator Farwell of Illinois expressed the opinion this morning that if the bill passed the House there was not apt to be any serious opposition to it in the Senate.

Contested Election Cases.

The House Committee on Elections will take up next week the following contested cases: Posey vs. Parrott, from the First Indiana district; Bowen vs. Buchanan, from the Ninth Virginia district; Waddill vs. Wise, from the Third Virginia district; and McDuffie vs. Carpin, from the Fourth Alabama district. It is thought the committee will consider and decide upon these cases during next week.

There are only twenty votes difference between Posey and Parrott, but there seems to be considerable doubt whether Mr. Posey can overcome this small margin.

At the other end is the McDuffie-Turpin bill. According to the official returns Mr. Turpin had more than 13,000 majority, but Mr. McDuffie claims also upwards of 13,000 majority and attempts to show that the Republican (negro) voters of his district were intimidated from voting at all or that the ballots were falsified for his rival. His district comprises what is known as the Black Belt, and the negroes largely outnumber the whites. It is believed that the seat will be awarded to the contestant in this case.

There are just 361 votes difference between Messrs. Wise and Waddill. The chances are that the committee will be satisfied that Mr. Wise's majority is a fictitious one, and that the committee will report in favor of awarding the seat to Mr. Waddill.

The remaining case--Bowen vs. Buchanan--is in doubt. Mr. Bowen's official majority is 478, but as it is a white district it will be more difficult to establish intimidation and fraud than in a black district.

Capitol Notes.

Mr. Mills of Texas was talking about the tariff to some fellow Democratic members on the floor of the House this morning. He said that the people of Massachusetts were getting very tired of the high tariff, and it would not surprise him to see that State elect a Democratic Governor and State officers this fall. A fellow Texan spoke up: "I wouldn't pay any attention to Massachusetts, if I were you, Mills," he said. "You had better look to home. Your district is getting mighty shaky. The tariff has created a laugh at the Texas statesman's expense. But just the same, Mr. Mills has over 5,000 majority to draw to and feels very comfortable politically, thank you."

The Hon. James Compton, who was appointed last Thursday, was at the Capitol to-day. He looked as serene and comfortable as though his official life had not been cut short.

Mr. A. J. Blodgett, editor and proprietor of the Minneapolis Tribune, was at the Capitol to-day. He was piloted by Major A. H. S. Davis, the Tribune's stalwart and handsome correspondent.

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THE McALLA INQUIRY.

Questions to be Answered as to Abuse on the "Enterprise."

New York, March 22.--When the McCalla Court of Inquiry at the Brooklyn Navy-Yard opened this morning, Admiral Kimberly said that the court reserved to itself the right to modify or all the questions to be put to the witnesses.

The questions which are to be answered by Lieutenants Ingersoll, Lemley and Worell are: "Was the Enterprise a happy and contented ship?"

"Were the Commander and officers in accord as to carrying out the discipline of the service as required by the regulations?"

"Did the commanding officer delegate his authority to his subordinates?"

"Were the men who were confined in straight jackets ordered to be confined by his knowledge?"

"Was Walker gagged by order of Captain McCalla?"

"Were the men traced to the 'Jacobs' by order of Captain McCalla or by his knowledge?"

"Were the men ironed together on the quarter-deck and under the fore-castle under command of McCalla or by his knowledge?"

"Was the Enterprise an efficient and tidy man-of-war, and in proper discipline on board of her?"

"After the usual correction of the testimony Lieutenant Ingersoll was called."

In giving his testimony yesterday I stated that I had been ordered by Lieutenant Lemley to go to the fore-castle and see that the men were properly ironed together."

He was brought to Court this morning, but not arraigned.

This morning, shortly after 10 o'clock, Charles E. Kincaid walked slowly up and down the front steps of the City Hall, accompanied by Deputy United States Marshal Stewart. His face presented a haggard appearance, and his eyes were closed, but he did not observe them closely, could very easily see that he was far from being a well man. He stopped and spoke pleasantly to a Currier reporter, and said he had been brought to the court house under a misunderstanding. He said that he was very much regretted that it had been found necessary to bring him to the court, as he was not in condition to undergo any excitement.

He, however, appreciated the privilege of being permitted to walk out and have a little benefit of the fresh air. He spoke pleasantly of the manner in which he was treated at the District Jail. From the City Hall he went to the office of Maurice Smith, who is retained in consultation for an hour or more.

According to the assignment, Mr. Kincaid was to have been arraigned this morning, but when Clerk Clark called on his name District Attorney Lipscomb stated that the case had been permitted to go over until next Saturday. About 1 o'clock Mr. Kincaid drove back to the jail in a hack.

AUSTIN CORBIN'S WIVES.

They Were Tapped While Under Government Control.

Special Agent Whitehead of the New York Custom House has submitted a report to the Treasury Department on the alleged theft of wines, the property of Mr. Austin Corbin, while the same were in the public store-house under Government control. The report reviews the case at length, but without throwing much light on the subject of the theft.

It is stated that of sixty-three cases imported by Mr. Corbin, but four were in the public store and the assumption being that the latter were stolen. "Showing every bottle in the shipment, the kind and the price paid for the wines, so that there can be no doubt that the Government received all as per invoice," he says, says the report, sustained by the facts.

Duty, it is stated, was paid on the invoice in advance of any steps taken to ascertain the actual quantity imported. It is pointed out in the report that the volume of business precludes the possibility of making an examination of every package imported.

SECRETARY TRACY ON DECK.

But Not the Despatch--At His Desk in the Department.

The U. S. S. Despatch, with Secretary Tracy on board, arrived at the Washington Navy-Yard at 3:30 this morning. The Secretary went immediately to the Navy Department. The Despatch proceeded up the Potomac River very slowly, and when darkness came on last night she anchored near the city wharves. No action was taken. The trip up the river was made without incident or mishap, and the Lower Cedar Point shoals, upon which the Despatch grounded on her trip down, were carefully examined. The round trip took one week.

No report of the grounding of the Despatch has yet been made by Lieutenant Cowles, and the impression is gaining that no court of inquiry will be ordered.

CAN TAKE CARE OF THEMSELVES.

Nebraska Farmers Not in Such a Bad Way as Reported.

LINCOLN, NEB., March 22.--Governor Thayer and the president of the State Board of Agriculture have just returned from a tour of inspection in the extreme western counties, where destitution has been reported. They found no cases of destitution anywhere. Many of the homesteaders were hard up, but not more so than in any border community, and everywhere they found a feeling that the people could take care of themselves and would not accept aid if tendered.

Permits to Build.

Building permits were issued to-day as follows: John Van Horn, to renew point of weather board, 330 Ninth street northwest, \$10; J. H. Glenn, two story brick addition to rear of 637 and 639 G street northwest, \$2,000; William Hutchinson, two story brick addition to 922 O street northwest, \$300; second story in brick to back building and two story brick addition to 1907 Pennsylvania avenue northwest, \$500; S. Tobin, fuel shed, 1119 First street northwest, \$55.

MRS. CONDORY'S WRONG

HER HUSBAND'S NEGLECT MADE HER UNFAITHFUL TO HIM.

White Pining for Connubial Carresses She Met Mr. Dick--Her Answer to the Doctor's Divorce Suit Recites an Off-Told Story.

An answer was filed to-day in the divorce proceedings of Dr. Vimos Condory against his wife Golda. She admits the marriage in New York and the birth of three children; that the two girls are now at school in Belgium, and that the boy is living with respondent. She admits, also, that she did wrong on March 3, 1890, but thinks that the circumstances ought to be considered in palliation of her offense.

The petitioner, she says, has always been absorbed in his profession, devoting nearly his entire time to studying the science and practice of his special branch of medicine, thereby neglecting to give to respondent, who is young and of full habit, the attention so essential to domestic felicity. While brooding over this state of affairs she met Ewell A. Dick, who represented himself as an unmarried man, and who forced himself upon her notice at first by attempting to flirt with her when waiting for a street car at the corner of Fifth and P streets northwest, and also in front of her place, where he was employed, while she was passing to and from her place.

Furthermore he offered her his umbrella when she was caught in a shower and took advantage of her want of familiarity with American customs, habits and manners, and pursued her everywhere, early and late, both in person and by letters. He devoted time to her and showed all the little courtesies and attentions which attract women, and even offered to obtain the respondent's divorce so he could marry her himself.

Mrs. Condory says that she felt into the trap thus laid by Dick and came to regard him as her best friend. Later, under a pretext of introducing her to his friends, he took her to 210 B street, a place which proved to be an assignation house, and where he was familiarly known as Mr. McGee, having once got into his power. Dick was relentless and threatened her with exposure.

It was, Mrs. Condory alleges, Dick's own proposition to come to her house on March 3, and he suggested that respondent have everything ready for a good time. When Dick came to the house that evening she says he ordered her to send away the servant, and he remained, notwithstanding respondent's remonstrances. He insisted on remaining and did so until the doctor came.

GOSSIPY FERDINAND.

Russia Feels Afraid Over the Scandals Circulated.

LONDON, March 22.--The St. Petersburg Nova Vremya coolly intimates that Premier Stambouloff and Prince Ferdinand of Bulgaria will be compelled to retract the statement made by the press of Sofia and so widely circulated by subordinate officials, that Russia was the instigator of the so-called Panliza plot. The means taken, it says, to make the Czar's government odious will only enhance the detestation felt by the capitals of Europe of the circulators of such calumnies, and hints that the alleged plots may yet be proved to have been merely a more than ordinary energetic demonstration of some officers and men of the chronically impetuous Bulgarian "army" to secure a portion of the arrears of pay due them. One thing is certain, that the relations between the present Bulgarian ruler and Russia will be in the future more strained than ever, and that Stambouloff's life will be very hard one, or an assurance company to take a risk upon.

Some papers of the former British Premier, Lord Beaconsfield, show that he was confident of war with Russia, but he was not. One thing is certain, that the relations between the present Bulgarian ruler and Russia will be in the future more strained than ever, and that Stambouloff's life will be very hard one, or an assurance company to take a risk upon.

In the latter event Crete was Cyprus would have been numbered among England's possessions. But his main hope, as was proved by correspondence with wealthy Israelites throughout the world was the romantic one of inducing Turkey to grant enlarged concessions to Hebrews and other Jews who would become residents in Jerusalem. They could never become formidable to Turkish power there, it was urged, and an official recognition of their status would curtail the influence of the Moslems to which, as visitors or inhabitants, they have been subjected for centuries by Mussulman and Christian alike.

"NO DUKEDOM" SAYS BISMARCK.

The Ex-Chancellor Refuses to Accept the Honor from the Emperor.

BERLIN, March 22.--A profound sensation has been created here by a report that the ex-Chancellor, Prince Bismarck, has refused to accept the dukedom of Lauenburg and the decoration conferred upon him by the Emperor, and that Count Herbert Bismarck, a very old friend of the late Chancellor, has accepted the dukedom of Lauenburg and the decoration conferred upon him by the Emperor, and that Count Herbert Bismarck, a very old friend of the late Chancellor, has accepted the dukedom of Lauenburg and the decoration conferred upon him by the Emperor.

The National Zeitung says the title of the Duke of Lauenburg was conferred upon Prince Bismarck by the Emperor without any consultation with the Prince in relation to the matter.

No Fear of War.

PARIS, March 22.--M. Benedetti, French Minister to Berlin from 1864 to 1870, in an interview with the correspondent of the United Press to-day said that the retirement of Prince Bismarck gave no reason for alarm, only danger to European peace, he said, was found in the blundering methods of the Italian Premier, which might possibly lead to the bankruptcy of Italy.

Half a Million in Forged Notes.

MADRID, March 22.--Forged notes amounting to half a million pesetas have been discovered among the funds brought to a bank in this city from Seville.

An Era of Fatalism.

ST. PETERSBURG, March 22.--The Grifflin says that the resignation of Prince Bismarck inaugurates an era of fatalism, new ideas and unexpected events, which will compel every one to be on the alert.

No Tariff Committee.

PARIS, March 22.--A Protectionist proposal to appoint a tariff committee similar to that of the Chamber of Deputies was rejected by the Senate yesterday by a vote of 159 to 117.

CHILLY FOR THE BRIDE.

Startling Experience of a Bridal Couple on a Hand Sled.

HARTFORD, March 22.--A wedding journey was begun under peculiar circumstances near here Thursday. John Burrows, the groom, owns a farm on the slope of old Talcott Mountain. Belle Andrews, the bride, kept house for her father in his little home on the mountain top. Thursday they were married at the home of the bride. They had arranged to take a short bridal trip. There is a little railway station at the foot of the mountain, a mile or so away. They resolved to reach by coasting down the mountain on a hand sled.

All went well until about half the descent had been accomplished. Then John suddenly saw ahead of him a tax toiling slowly up the road. The road was narrow. On one side towered an overhanging mass of rock, on the other side was the brink of a precipice fifty feet high.

There was little time to think. The sled was traveling at lightning speed, and the driver of the oxen seemed to see it. John hurriedly whispered a word of caution to the bride, and clinging bride, and just before meeting the approaching team, suddenly turned the course of the sled, and they went flying over the precipice.

The landing was made in several feet of yielding snow, and no serious harm resulted. Friends from above hurried to the rescue, and the pair, to their great relief, were rescued. The sled was found to be empty, and the bride and groom were found to be safe. The time the sled was reached safely, and the couple continued their journey in high spirits.

BEATING A GAMBLING HOUSE.

A Roulette Wheel "Plastered" and Four Strangers Win \$1,700.

PROVIDENCE, R. I., March 22.--There was an extraordinary game of crooked roulette in this city, in which some fifty sporting men beat a prominent gambling house out of \$1,700. The proprietors were out of town for the night and two of the attendants were left in charge. In the house a lively faro game was going on at 10 o'clock, when four young sports walked in and purchased several stacks of chips at the roulette table. The stacks were worth \$20 each. Faro was soon dropped, and the roulette wheel was whirled for a couple of hours, with constant varying fortune.

At about 1 o'clock the sports had played their chips away and bought some more. The crowd thinned out, and the quartet of sports soon began to win. Again and again, with startling rapidity, the winning number was 17, and many times the dealer paid \$35 for 1 on that mark. The dealer became frustrated and his assistant excited. The game had lost \$1,000, and then \$1,500, and finally the wheel was stopped by the "house." The sports had taken from the bank some \$1,700. An old sport who dropped in after the game was over and the four players had disappeared, said that he had seen the sports' hand luck. He then discovered that the wheel had been "plastered," and that there were five seventeens on it instead of one. The young men were strangers.

FELL FIVE STORIES.

Result of a Drunken Carouse--A Young Man Fatally Injured.

NEW YORK, March 22.--Some of the inmates of the tenement house 142 Cherry street became so noisy during a drunken carouse last night that a policeman was called in. The revelers scattered in all directions, and the officer chased Henry Hermann, a young truckman, son of the aged housekeeper, to the roof.

On the way Hermann ran against an iron bedstead which had been left standing on a landing, and was so crippled that when he attempted to jump from the roof over the edge of the building, he fell five stories to the bottom of the narrow chasm. When hoisted out with considerable difficulty, it was found that his skull was fractured, and he had broken both legs and one arm. He was taken to Gouverneur Hospital, where his injuries were pronounced fatal.

ILL-OMENED JOHNSTONS.

Again Threatened by a Flood and the Villagers Panic-Stricken.

JOHNSTONS, Pa., March 22.--A steady rain during the forenoon yesterday, to which was added a warm wind, caused the recent heavy fall of snow to melt rapidly, in consequence of which the streams began to rise in the early afternoon. Within two hours a rise of four feet was recorded. When this became known fear seized the people living in the lower part of the town, and they made haste to take to higher ground. To add to their terror a heavy fog settled over the town. The water is still rising, and it is hard to predict how much more it will rise, but the outlook is not bright for the bridges and the way before the night is over. If nothing worse serious. Two of the bridges were closed to travel early last evening. Communication with Cumbrria is cut off by the high water.

Four Negroes Murdered.

CHATTANOOGA, TENN., March 22.--Robert Mosely, colored, was hanged yesterday afternoon near Huntsville, Ala., for attempting to assault Miss Ellen Austin. He met his death within a few feet of a pit in which he had lain a week for the woman, and was buried in it. About 500 men were in the mob, among them fifty colored men.

Centennial Monument.

NEW YORK, March 22.--Colonel Jesse E. Peyton of Haddonfield, N. J., who has been on a visit to Washington in the interest of the proposed Centennial Monument to be erected at Philadelphia, was in New York yesterday. He is jubilant over the success of the present movement looking to the early erection of such a memorial. The bill was introduced in the House by Congressman Groat of Vermont, and in the Senate by Senator Frye of Maine, and has been referred to the Library Committee of both Houses, and will probably be brought up for consideration before Congress adjourns. An appropriation sufficient for the incidental expenses of laying the cornerstone will also be asked for.

Against Sugar Tariff Reduction.

NEW ORLEANS, March 22.--The Louisiana Planters' Association held a meeting yesterday and adopted a series of resolutions protesting against the reduction of the tariff on sugar without a corresponding reduction on all other articles.

Dutch Babies Can't Work Now.

BERLIN, March 22.--The Labor Conference at its sitting to-day decided to prohibit the employment of children under 15 years of age.

RACHEL FOSTER-AVERY'S SISTER

In Issue--Her Brother Trying to Break His Mother's Will.

PHILADELPHIA, March 22.--Hampton L. C. Foster yesterday began taking testimony to determine the mental condition of Julia T. Foster, the elder sister of Rachel Foster-Avery, the noted advocate of women's rights.

Her brother, a brother of the unfortunate woman, is engaged in trying to break the will of his mother, the late Mrs. Julia Foster, who left an estate worth about \$150,000 to her two daughters, Julia and Rachel. Mr. Foster claims that his mother was insane when she made the will, and in order to strengthen the evidence in support of this claim, it is now intended to prove that Julia is insane.

She is now an inmate of Burn Brae Hospital, a private asylum near Clifton Heights. Drs. Given, Groff and Montgomery testified to the woman's hallucinations, as did also Miss Minnie Groff, an intimate friend of the Foster family. It was stated that Miss Foster imagined that the house was surrounded with wires, and that every word she uttered was transmitted to her enemies, who were trying to accomplish her ruin.

\$15,000 IN GOLD.

Roots of Two Alleged Young Robbers Who are Now in Custody.

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 22.--Governor Merriam yesterday issued requisitions on Governor Toole of Montana for Charles A. Searle and William C. Paine, arrested at Missoula Thursday night on the charge of robbing the Northern Pacific Express Company of \$15,000 at Brainerd, Minn., eight months ago. The agent of the express company at St. Paul sent \$30,000 in gold in two bags on the Portland express. The money was intended for use in paying off the Northern Pacific at Brainerd, Minn. The particulars of the robbery have been little discussed and are not much known, as the company gave as little publicity as possible to the case.

Searle and Paine, from the first been cast upon the two men now held, but every effort to obtain a reason therefor has failed, except the solitary one that Paine was long a trusted and confidential employee of the company.

Charles Searle is a son of ex-Admiral Searle and a business man of the hustler kind. Paine is a son of William Paine, sr., one of the largest property owners of the city.

PROHIBITION A FAILURE.

A Republican Conference Called to See What Can Be Done.

DENVER, Colo., March 22.--The call for a State conference of Republicans who want the prohibitory law modified seems to be the beginning of a very strong movement. The matter has been worked quietly, but it is said associations have been formed in over forty counties, and over 5,000 names are signed to the rolls.

This is intended to be purely a Republican movement, including those who voted with the party on national issues, ex-Governor Kirkwood being the recognized leader. His followers are Charles Searle, a Republican, and business men. They want the law modified so as to retain Prohibition where it has proved a success and High License where it has failed. The latter is a failure. The April 2 meeting will only be a conference, and not a mass convention, but it is expected that at least 300 representative Republicans will be present.

AN ARROW IN HER REAR.

Human Skeletons Unearthed in Pierre.

ST. PAUL, MINN., March 22.--A dispatch to the Pioneer Press from Pierre, S. D., says: While excavating yesterday for a house on Capital Hill, in this city, workmen discovered the skeletons of ten human beings. Appearance indicated that the bodies had been thrown into a pit and covered with rock from the formation of the skulls and the bones were "skinned," one being a woman; the remaining four were Indians.

The woman's skull shows that she had been struck with a hatchet. Bullet holes were found in the chest and an arrow head was imbedded in her breast bone, showing that there had been a fight. The only article by which the party could be identified was a silver medal, dated 1847, with the name of Henry Mackenzie, and on the reverse the inscription: "Complimentary for bravery at the battle of Buena Vista."

Robert Reed, one of the old frontier scouts, remembers that Mackenzie, stotted south with a scouting party from old Fort George when the Sioux Indians were on the war-path. The party never came back, and it was supposed that the whole party had been murdered by the red men. Reed says that the skeletons unearthed are undoubtedly those of Mackenzie and his little band, the woman being Mackenzie's wife.

AT THE SCENE OF HIS CRIME.

He Tried to Assault a Young Lady and Was Lynched.

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WASHINGTON LEFT OUT

SENATORS AND HOOSIERS NOT IN THE NATIONAL LEAGUE.

An Amended Schedule of Games for a Federation of Eight Clubs Adopted--New York Will Get Indianapolis Players--Arrangement Temporary.

NEW YORK, March 22.--The meeting of the League baseball magnates at the Fifth Avenue Hotel came to a close at 4:30 o'clock this morning. The information is given out that the Indianapolis players will come to New York, an eight-city schedule having been adopted. This action freezes out of the Washington club.

President Nick Young, in an interview with a United Press reporter, said that a satisfactory arrangement had been made by which the Indianapolis and Washingtons retire temporarily from the League, and that they had not forfeited their right to come in again in the future.

"There was no such consideration about it. It was purely a private business transaction that had been satisfactory to all parties."

The Hoosier ball players who will come here are Glascock, Denny, Pitcher, Rusie, Boyle and Burkitt, and Buckley, Bassett, Hines and Scanlon. A schedule was adopted for an eight-city League as follows:

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